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1. GENERAL COMMENTS ON UNDP PROGRAM IN LIBERIA SIMILAR TO LAST REPORT (REFAIR B). WHILE NO REPORT REQUESTED FOR THIS YEAR, WISH MAKE FOLLOWING COMMENTS REGARDING UNDP PROGRAM:

A. RES REPS STILL HAMPERED BY OVER CONTROL BY SPECIALIZES AGENCIES. RECENT MOVE BY WHO TO REDUCE HOME OFFICE STAFFING VIEWED AS ENCOURAGING IN EFFORTS TO REDIRECT EMPHASIS OF WHO TO FIELD.

B. UNDP HAS BEEN FUNCTIONING VERY WELL AS COORDINATING MECHANISM IN LIBERIA AND THIS TREND IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE.

2. SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF CERP REPORTING ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. COMMENTS ON APPROPRIATENESS OF UNDP TECHNICIANS TO THE TASKS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED SHOULD BE INCLUDED. BECAUSE OF GEOGRAPHICAL RECRUITMENT REQUIREMENTS EXPERTS ARE OFTEN UNSUITED TO THEIR SCOPES OF WORK.

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B. PROGRAMATIC INTEGRITY OF UNDP EFFORTS. ALTHOUGH UNDP FOLLOWS THE SAME PROFORMA ANALYSIS AND PROJECT JUSTIFICATION PROCEDURES AS THE USG, IT APPEARS THAT THEY ARE SOMEWHAT LESS SUCCESSFUL IN FOLLOWING THEIR ANALYSES TO LOGICAL CONCLUSIONS. PROJECTS SUFFER FROM SCATTERATION AND GERIATRICITY. COMMENTS ON EFFICIENCY OF THE SYSTEM IN ITS ACTUAL USE WOULD BE MOST USEFUL.

C. ATTITUUDE OF THE RECIPIENT NATION TOWARD THE UNDP AND THEIR UTILIZATION OF UNDP EXPERTS SHOULD BE DISCUSSED IN THE NEW CERP. THERE IS OCCASIONALLY A MISUSE OF THE UNDP EXPERTISE WHICH DOES NOT GET REFLECTED IN THE DAY-TO-DAY REPORTING OF THE UNDP MISSION.

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